

Dear Chairman Powell,

I am writing to voice my strongest objections to any change in the rules of media ownership that would increase an owner's ability to own more media outlets. If anything, these rules should be tightened to prevent monopolization of the media and to prevent a few individuals from having too much control over our sources of information in this country. Concentration of the media in the hands of a few undermines our democracy. Nothing is more important to me than that my country maintain its stature as a nation of freedom, which requires that many voices be heard. Please don't loosen the rules of media ownership. Consider making them stronger. At the very least, do not change these rules without subjecting the vote to a democratic process.

Sincerely,

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